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In the Application of :
 Donn Nelson Rubingh et al. :
 Serial No. 09/646,984 :
 Confirmation No. 3865 : Group Art Unit 1652
 Filed September 25, 2000 : Examiner W.W. Moore
 For SERINE PROTEASE VARIANTS HAVING AMINO ACID DELETIONS AND
 SUBSTITUTIONS

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 51.116
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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Examiner:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

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WWM 8/11/04*
 In response to the March 17, 2004 Office Action in the above-entitled application, please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Response to Office Action begin on page 6 of this paper.

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